Kidsnet update



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KIDSNET facilitates the collection and appropriate sharing of health data with healthcare providers, parents, MCH programs, and other child service providers for the provision of timely and appropriate preventive health services and follow up.

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Data Entry Management: Denise Cappelli KIDSNET welcomes new users: Jamestown School District.

New KIDSNET Features:

A Personal School Physical Form is now available in KIDSNET for Providers. The school physical form can be printed directly from KIDSNET, pre-filled with the provider's address and telephone, the child's name and DOB, and all of the child's valid immunizations.

An **Add Child** button has been added to the Child Search page for Providers. This feature allows Providers to add children not found in KIDSNET after conducting a thorough search, provided the child was not born in state after 1/1/1997 (already in KIDSNET), and the child is not in foster care.

A link to the newest version of the **Blank School Physical Form** is also available on KIDSNET under Forms & Resources.

Enclosed are the instructions for these two new features to be added to your KIDSNET User Manual. Contact the Provider Relations staff if you would like additional training on how to use these new features.

Immunization and Vaccine Updates

Varicella continues to be delayed by the manufacturer and providers should plan accordingly. Varicella delivery is currently taking 4-6 weeks from the date of order.

Due to the upcoming holidays there will be **no vaccine deliveries** scheduled for November 12 (Veterans Day), November 22 (Thanksgiving), or December 24 & 25 (Christmas). Please plan accordingly and notify the Department of Health Immunization Program at 401-222-4639 if your office will be changing your regular operating hours during the holiday season as well.

The Vaccinate Before You Graduate Program will enter immunization data into KIDSNET for every student receiving immunizations at participating high schools. Please conatct Kathy Marceau at 222-4624 or kathy.marceau@health.ri.gov if you have questions or comments. Participating schools can be located on Health's website.

List of updated Vaccine Information Sheets (VIS)

There is a new list of updated Vaccine Information Sheets, please go to this link for the most recent versions.

http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/vis-news.htm

Adult "Immunize For Life" Flu Program

Now that all the flu vaccine orders have been delivered, The Wellness Company is asking all adult flu program participants to fax their requests for more vaccine, or for the return of excess vaccine to be redistributed. If you did not receive this fax from The Wellness Company, you can call them at 401-490-0942. Once all this information has been tallied, more flu vaccine will be distributed to those who need it by mid-November.

SAVE THE DATE: Obesity: Strategies for Health Care Providers a clinical conference presented by The Health Care & Health Plans Workgroup of The RI Healthy Eating & Active Living Collaborative convened through the Rhode Island Department of Health with keynote speaker Dr. David Katz and a panel of local experts on April 3, 2008 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Warwick, RI from 4:30-8:30 (Registration Begins at 4:00 p.m.) The agenda, continuing education information and registration details to follow late in 2007. For questions, contact Erin Dugan, MPH at (401) 222-1380 or Erin.Dugan@health.ri.gov

Immunization Report

In October 2007, the following 10 practices sent immunization history updates for KIDSNET after running the immunization report: Westerly Pediatrics, Spectrum Family Health Care, Mill River Pediatrics, Kingstown Pediatrics, Dr. Richard Ohnmacht, Barrington Pediatrics, Capitol Hill Health Center, Dr. Dante Ramos, Northwest Health Center, and Dr. Charles DeAngelis.

Lead Screening Report

Please continue to use KIDSNET to generate reports of children in your practice who have never been screened for lead poisoning. In October 2007, the following 23 pediatric practices used this report: Associates in Primary Care Medicine, Bald Hill Pediatrics, Cumberland Pediatrics, Dr. Charles DeAngelis, East Greenwich Family Practice, Everett Wilcox Center, Dr. Douglas Foreman, Family Medicine Specialties, Fatima Health Center, Dr. Jerald Kupperberg, Northwest Health Center, Portsmouth Pediatrics, Capitol Hill Health Center, RI Healthcare Family Practice, St. Joseph Pediatric Clinic, Dr. Jennifer Souther, South County Pediatric Group, Spectrum Health Care, Woonsocket Thundermist Health Center, Valley Primary Care, Women's Care Family Practice, West Warwick Thundermist Health Center, and Wood River Health Services.

If you need a training review to use this report, contact your KIDSNET representative or call the KIDSNET Help Desk at 1.800.942.7434. Thank you for your help in ensuring all children are appropriately screened for lead!

Keep up the good work! Please keep using the reports as a tool to follow up on your patients need.